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Attention: Honolulu High –Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Comments on Scoping Project's alternatives, EIS, purposes

The Hawaii Highway Users Alliance is a state conference of the American Highway Users Alliance. Since 1932, the Highway Users has served as the united voice of the transportation community promoting safe and uncongested highways and enhanced freedom of mobility.

HHUA's mission is to influence public policy and opinion for quality highways, promoting safety, congestion relief and freedom of mobility. Our mission is also to:

- Ensure a strong and efficient transportation infrastructure and distribution system for Hawaii;
- Accommodate many diverse highway uses, to afford mobility, choices and reliability
- To properly serve the needs for public safety and homeland security;
- Foster fair competition, economic stability and quality development;
- Advance the knowledge and science of transportation/distribution within government and industry;
- Actively lobby and provide education and open dialogue on important issues affecting transportation, distribution and travel-related issues.

As to the Alternatives Analysis, HHUA offers these comments and concerns:

The critical need in transportation on Oahu is to alleviate traffic congestion, to improve mobility for both people and businesses, and ensure the public safety and security.

We must raise the level of service on our roads and highways from F to C. The economic viability of business and industry and the quality of life of our residents and visitors depend on efficient and safe delivery of people and goods.

The Alternatives Analysis must address the burgeoning need for adding carrying capacity of our transportation infrastructure – to serve diverse users, not to exclude other modes for restricted use by one mode only.

The Alternatives Analysis options are based entirely on a politically motivated set that has little semblance to the transportation needs and wants of Oahu.

There is only token attention paid to adding highway capacity, in spite of the fact that Honolulu is among the most lane-deficient metropolitan areas in the U.S.

Respectfully submitted,

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